

# THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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## Ebeye construction project nearing completion



(Photo by Jim Bennett)

Pvt. Christopher Wrenn hammers a cross piece between trusses 35 feet in the air Wednesday on Ebeye. Wrenn, a member of Company B of the 505th Combat Engineer Battalion, North Carolina Army National Guard, is working on the roof frame for a multi-purpose building.

By Jim Bennett

Editor

Pvt. Christopher Wrenn sat perched on rafters 35 feet in the air like a bird waiting for the next branch with which to finish his nest. The next "branch" came in the form of three 60-foot-long trusses hammered together and swinging from a crane. After a few attempts — the ground-based "eyes" shouting instructions to crane operator James Akeake, ground crews pulling on stabilizing ropes and Pvt. Billy Ray Harrell standing on a wall and muscling the trusses into place — Wrenn got his chance to lay a cross-piece and hammer it home. And then three more trusses ...

And so Company B of the 505th Combat Engineer Battalion of the North Carolina Army National Guard finished their portion of the construction of a multi-purpose building on Ebeye. The rotation built and hoisted 43 trusses in all during their 10 days on the site, finishing the frame for the roof of the structure that will soon host community events.

(See ROTATION, page 5)

## Safety: Recordable injury rate edges up due to 'inattention'

By Peter Rejcek

Associate Editor

USAKA's safety rate is still worlds away from where it was just five years ago, but safety officials are seeing an unhealthy trend in the installation's recordable injury rate this year, threatening to break a streak of declining injuries since 1997.

"It has been steadily climbing in the last several months," said Wayne Cran, Environmental Health and Safety Division manager. "It's still good, but we're going in the wrong direction."

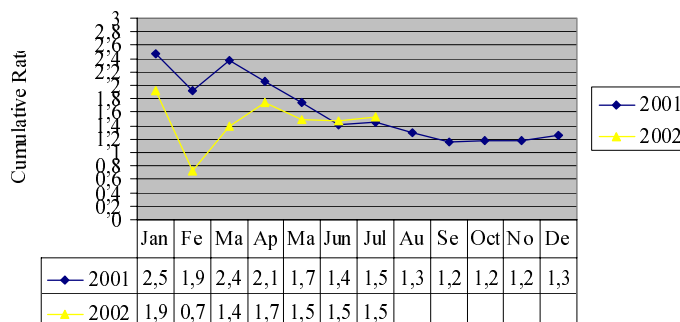
With nearly two-thirds of the year done, USAKA has a recordable injury rate of 1.52 per 100 employees, based on Occupational Health and Safety Administration standards.

Out of 4.6 million work hours last year, only 29 injuries were recorded, with just seven cases involving lost time, giving the installation a rate of 1.26. In 1997, there had been 223 recordable injuries. Since that time, the injury rate has consistently fallen — 148 in 1998, 100 recordables in 1999 and 54 in 2000.

The industry standard is six recordables per 100. World-class status is considered 1.0 per 100.

That's still the goal, but Jeff Warga, Safety and Industrial Hygiene team leader, doesn't want people to get caught up in the numbers. He and Cran want to see a return to conscious safety awareness. As many as half of the record-

OSHA recordable rate January-July 2002



able injuries are due to "inattention" and "silly stuff" that could be easily avoided, they say.

For example, employees moving a shelf failed to remove everything off the top, and one heavy object fell and struck an employee on the head, which required stitches.

"It's a lot of silly stuff that's causing us to have accidents," Warga emphasized, adding that other contributing factors causing these mental mistakes include a stressed workforce dealing with personnel shortages and an uncertain future.

(See SAFETY, page 5)

# There's lots to see and do during Japan adventure

(Continued from Aug. 9 edition)

So you're on your way to Japan, but two nagging questions remain: "Where will I stay?" and "What will I see and do?"

Let's start with accommodations. You have your choice of American-style luxury hotels, Western-style business class hotels and traditional inns. The luxury hotels are very expensive. The absolute best rate we found was more than \$250 a night.

The business class hotels are nice, but small. They offer American-style rooms with decent beds and a TV, some that play movies in English. Picture a very small room at a Motel 6, and you're not far off. On the upshot, one business hotel we stayed in offered coin-operated laundry machines and free Internet access.

But as long as you're in Japan, try the traditional Japanese inns, or *ryokans*. In fact, the rooms are cheaper and bigger, and, with all the sliding doors, you essentially have a three- or four-room suite.

The restrooms in our inns were all Western-style (something worth asking your travel agent about), but that's where the similarities end. The floors are often *tatami* mats, and you take your shoes off at the door. The décor is unique to Japan, accented by real hardwood trim and fixtures. You sit on the floor at low tables,



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and at night, a staff member makes up your futon-style mattress bed, taking it up in the morning. You still have a television, if that's a concern. Many *ryokans* offer meals as part of your stay, and they all, at least in our experience, offered a ton of hospitality as you got to sort of *know* the staff during your comings and goings.

What to see? The list is way too long, but here are a few thoughts:

**Museums** — You can't beat Ueno Park in Tokyo. The park itself is like New York City's Central Park, but with the Smithsonian from Washington, D.C., surrounding it. The National Museum has the most amazing collection of historical and cultural items. The park also features the Museum of Western Art, which houses Rodin's "The Thinker," and the National Science Museum with its life-size reproduction of a blue whale in front.

The zoo is nice, too. The park is worth a day unto itself.

**In Port** — Nagoya and Osaka have nice aquariums built within port complexes that also feature shopping malls, museums and other tourist activities.

**Shrines and Temples** — There are so many, you'll never catch them all, but certainly check out a few for the cultural experience.

**Castles** — The emperor still lives in the Imperial Palace in Tokyo, so unless you have his phone number, check out the Nijo-Jo in Kyoto, with its palace turned museum. Also, Nagoya and Hiroshima have impressive rebuilt castles.

**Sports** — If you can, plan your trip around the sumo wrestling tournament schedule and check it out. If you like sports, you'll more than appreciate the athleticism that comes with trying to leverage a 300-pound-plus man out of a 15-foot ring, before he does the same to you. If you're into culture, you'll enjoy the tradition and ceremony that goes into a 500-year-old-plus sport.

Baseball is also a crowd favorite. The Japanese have added a horn section that plays fight songs and cheerleaders that dance before the game and do the YMCA during a fifth-inning stretch. It's American baseball with Japanese style.

— Jim Bennett

## The Kwajalein Hourglass

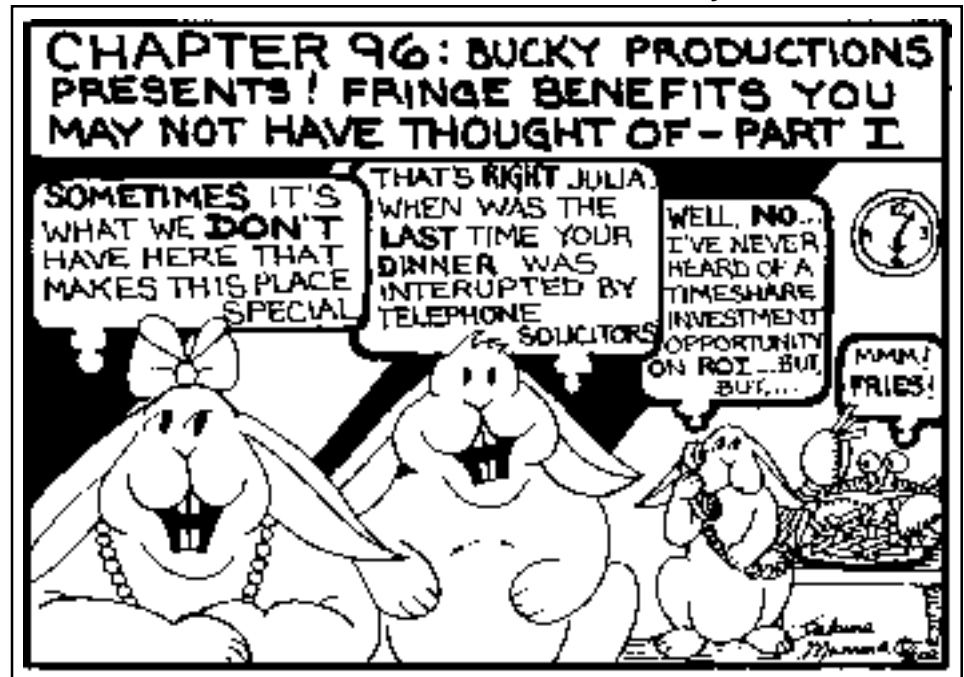
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## Buckminster and Friends ————— By Sabrina Mumma



# Sun, wind and dust bad combo for eye health

By KW Hillis  
Feature Writer

Squinting is a common reaction to the intense sun found near the equator. Even on a cloudy day, the glare from the water and white coral can cause the same reaction. But, squinting can have more consequences than contributing to facial wrinkles.

"About 25 percent of my patients have pterygia or pinguecula," said Dr. Chris Yamamoto, optometrist, who met with the *Hourglass* before office hours while he was on Kwajalein during his last quarterly visit. He said he sees the conditions both here and in Hawaii because of the intense sun, dust and wind.

Often mistaken for cataracts, which invade the lens of the eye, pterygia are small, fleshy, usually triangular-shaped growths that can grow over the cornea, starting at the 3 or 9 o'clock position on the white of the eye, according to Principal Health News Web site

([www.principalhealthnews.com](http://www.principalhealthnews.com)). Pinguecula, also found in the same position on the white of the eye, are white, yellow, gray or brown — a raised area with bumps.

Both conditions are thought to be caused by exposure to ultraviolet light, infrared light, wind, dust and irritation, Yamamoto said. Age, trauma and gender can also be factors, with males developing the conditions three times more often than females. The bumps of pinguecula can sometimes be a precursor to pterygia, or the pterygia can develop on its own.

"When you squint you don't blink," Yamamoto said. "So that area becomes dry, so the tissue grows over to protect it."

Not wearing proper prescription glasses or lenses can cause squinting too, he said. "When I tell the patient to squint — it coincides right with that area."

Kabwij Bobo, the very first patient of



Optometrist Dr. Chris Yamamoto performs an eye exam on Kabwij Bobo during the doctor's last quarterly visit to Kwajalein. The discolorations at the 3 and 9 o'clock positions on Bobo's eyes could be the result of a lifetime of exposure to the elements.

(Photo by KW Hillis)

the day, had the tell-tale signs of pinguecula bumps on either side of his iris.

"I squint when I'm outside or when I'm fishing," Bobo said, admitting that he sometimes doesn't wear his sunglasses. Visiting Yamamoto to have prescription sunglasses made, Bobo said that when he wore his sunglasses, his eyes weren't so irritated.

Air-conditioning can cause irritation too, Yamamoto said. Some people sleep with their eyelids slightly parted, and the eye

will dry out in the center.

"They will have a little bit of burning, possibly blurred vision," Yamamoto said. "It is like it is abraded in the center. It is a common problem — a lot more common than you think."

Symptoms from both conditions can range from mild to severe.

Moisturizing or lubricating drops can help the irritation, but people experiencing any chronic eye irritation should have a local physician find out why the eye is irritated, he said.

Because both eye conditions can resemble some more serious eye growths, it is important to get an eye care professional to look at them, according to Principal Health News.

Yamamoto said that in addition to good sunglasses containing both UV and polarized filters, he recommends moisturizer drops. "The drops may not cause [the bumps or the growth] to get smaller, but the drops may prevent it from getting irritated and increasing

in size."

Some people use "Visine to take the red out," but using an eye medication containing a decongestant can cause a rebound problem, Yamamoto said.

"Your eye is red for a reason," he said. "When it is red, the blood is bringing nourishment to heal the eye. What you actually need is a moisturizer only. Constantly using Visine will make it redder eventually."

"For occasional use, it is fine, but not on a continual basis," Yamamoto said. "It is like continually taking aspirin for a headache ... go and have it checked."

Other than keeping the eyes from getting irritated, usually no treatment is needed, but if a patient has pterygium that grows and starts to cover the iris or colored part of the eye, then surgery will be performed when the growth gets halfway between the edge of the iris and the edge of the pupil, Yamamoto said. "[We] don't want it to go over the pupil because scarring will occur."

"My father had surgery for pterygium," said Kathy Campbell, Health Awareness Committee chairperson, recounting how red her father's eyes were and how painful the surgery was.

Yamamoto said, "It is painful because the surface becomes raw. [The surgeon] folds the growth over to stop it growing."

Surgery may not stop the problem, though, Yamamoto said. Many times the eye conditions will grow back because the environment is the same and some people have more susceptibility to it.

"That is why I wear sunglasses," Campbell added.







Eight-inch Vickers guns sit silent on the Green Beach of Betio.

Photos  
by Carol  
Sword

## Kiribati retains culture, lives with history

By Carol Sword  
*Contributing Writer*

TARAWA ATOLL, REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI — Once the focus of one of America's most fierce battles of the Pacific in World War II, the Republic of Kiribati is a sleepy collection of atolls where signs of that long-ago conflict still remain.

Kiribati, a former British colony once known as the Gilbert and Ellice Islands, gained its independence in 1979. Its 33 islands are scattered over two million square miles of the Pacific Ocean. It is the only country in the world that lies on both the equator

and the International Date Line. Tarawa, its capital, is the closest international airport to Majuro.

Many of Tarawa's inhabitants still retain much of their culture. While driving through the capital, visitors can catch glimpses of daily life. Women wearing pleated blouses, called *tibutas*, can be seen cooking in their outdoor kitchens. Children play in front of homes covered by roofs made from thatched pandanus leaves. Every village has a *maneaba*, or council pavilion, where residents can debate their views.

Betio, an island connected by a causeway to Tarawa, is famous for its World War II battlefields. It had been heavily fortified by the Japanese before it was invaded by the 2nd Marine Division in November 1943. Visitors can still see some of the pillboxes built for coastal defense, the blockhouse that served as Rear Admiral Keiji Shibasaki's command post, and several 8-inch Vickers guns set along the beaches.

War relics can still be found on the beaches of Betio. Sometimes a helmet or a canteen will wash upon the shore, and rusted ammunition shells lie buried in the sand. Each serves as a reminder of the blood that was once shed at the battle of Tarawa.

This cross commemorates 22 New Zealand coast watchers who were beheaded by the Japanese during their occupation of the islands.



Traditional homes on Kiribati still use thatched pandanus leaves for roofs, and every village has a *maneaba*, or council pavilion, where residents can debate their views.



## Rotation puts building construction ahead of schedule ...

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"It's a great thing to have a building like this, and all the games, parties, graduations and all kinds of activities," Akeake said.

Akeake, who is with the Kwajalein Atoll Development Authority, has worked with the 505th since the first rotation unloaded large containers off a barge in June.

"It's exciting to work with them," he said. "I've learned a lot."

Meanwhile, on a concrete pad nearby, crews fired nail guns into would-be trusses. The trick is lifting them and flipping them over for reinforcement on the other side.

In the states, the trusses would be built in jigs in a factory and shipped complete. Staff Sgt. Charles Miller and his soldiers don't have such luxuries, but must improvise instead.

"We've had to modify things, but we're engineers," Miller said.

In fact, they took salvaged aluminum light poles found nearby and chained them to the truss frame to add horizontal stability and keep the frame from bending in on itself and snapping



**Staff Sgt. Ronald Stacy, left, and Sgt. Bobby Jolly pull on a rope stabilizing a trio of trusses held above by a crane.**

(Photo by Jim Bennett)

as a sky track lifted the frame up on one end and laid it down on the other. They added overlapping joints to the original design and additional and bigger joint supports.

"They've done a fantastic job," said Capt. John Wolf Jr., of both the truss-building and hoisting teams. Wolf, the officer in charge of the project, added that the company put the project a week ahead of schedule.

Company B left the roofing and finishing work to the last rotations, who started arriving last week, and the half dozen or so Marshallese workers who have worked on the building since June.

The Title X project, the largest of its kind in the Marshall Islands, at more than \$600,000 from the U.S. and \$158,000 from the RMI, is expected to be completed and dedicated by the end of the month, he said.

## Safety looking to reduce recordable injuries for fifth straight year ...

(From page 1)

And while the injuries are happening in industrial areas, the accidents are mainly occurring in low-hazard situations, safety officials say.

Another key ingredient to the upswing has been secondary infections that were not cared for immediately by a visit to First Stop, the free first-aid clinic intended to take care of minor injuries and prevent more serious health problems, such as secondary infections, from starting.

"Even if [employees] think it's minor, they need to report it," Cran said of injuries that later become infected, explaining several such cases have ended up at the emergency room.

Also driving up the recordable injury rate are changes by OSHA, which altered the criteria for recordable injuries to include such things as needle pricks in medical facilities.

"We have a lot of factors working against us," Warga noted.

For an injury to be considered recordable, it must be work-related, be a new injury and require either medical attention or for the employee to miss work or be reassigned because of the injury, according to OSHA.

Through July 31, there have been 19 recordable injuries, the same number as last year at this juncture in time, though with only two resulting in lost time this year compared to six in 2001. However, this year started with

much promise, with only two recordable injuries in the first two months of the year. But then there were five recordable injuries in both March and April, dipping to only one in May, before spiking back up to three each in June and July.

Cran said his department has worked over the last several years to create a "safety culture" where departments and employees take responsibility for their health and safety.

"The workforce has embraced this concept and, as a result, we have seen marked improvement in the safety consciousness of every department," he said. "However, due to a great deal of staff turnover lately, many of the supervisors who held the weekly safety meetings have PCSed. Replacements are being trained in the affected departments so the quality of their safety performance will be maintained."

Both safety officials noted that the recordable injury rate at USAKA is still very strong, particularly in comparison to other Raytheon job sites in terms of man-hours and the type of hazardous work performed here.

For example, through May 31 of this year, Kwajalein had performed more than 1.7 million work hours and at that time had a recordable injury rate of 1.49. The next site with the most hours was AUTEK, with more than 700,000 work hours but with a recordable injury rate of nearly 2 per 100 employees.

"Our program is healthy," Warga said.



## Classified Ads and Community Notices

## HELP WANTED

*The following on-island positions are open with Raytheon. For more information or to submit a resumé or application, call HR employment, Jack Riordan, 54916, unless otherwise noted.*

**IMAGING SERVICES COORDINATOR**, Kwajalein Hospital. Seeking a patient and records coordinator for the imaging department. Duties include interviewing and screening patients to coordinate appropriate imaging required by physician and performing general secretarial duties, including appointment scheduling, reception and billing. Strong computer, organizational and communication skills required. Previous medical office experience preferred, but not required.

**YOUTH NIGHT SUPERVISOR**, Community Activities. Part time. Looking for responsible and fun-loving adults to work two weekend nights or more per month at the Youth Center. Job duties include supervising youth, enforcing policies, coordinating various activities and keeping the center a hip place to be. A criminal history background check is required. Call Erika, 53331.

**SECURITY/DOCUMENT CONTROL SPECIALIST**, Raytheon Security Office. Seeking an administrative person with strong organizational and computer skills (Outlook, Word, Excel) to maintain security clearance records. Strong communication skills required for precise communication with employees, department management and government agencies. Selected applicant will undergo a National Agency check to obtain a secret-level security clearance.

**SECRETARY**, Kwajalein High School. Strong computer skills in Microsoft Office, Word and Excel and strong organizational skills and ability to work with teachers, parents, students and staff. Excellent communication skills a must. Selected applicant will be required to undergo a criminal history background check.

**LIBRARY AIDE**, Education Dept. Part time. 25 hours per week at the high school library. A criminal history background check is required.

**PIANO PLAYER**, Yuk Club. Casual for Thursday through Saturday evenings. Call Andrea, 58909.

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**, Dental Clinic. Casual. Criminal history background check required.

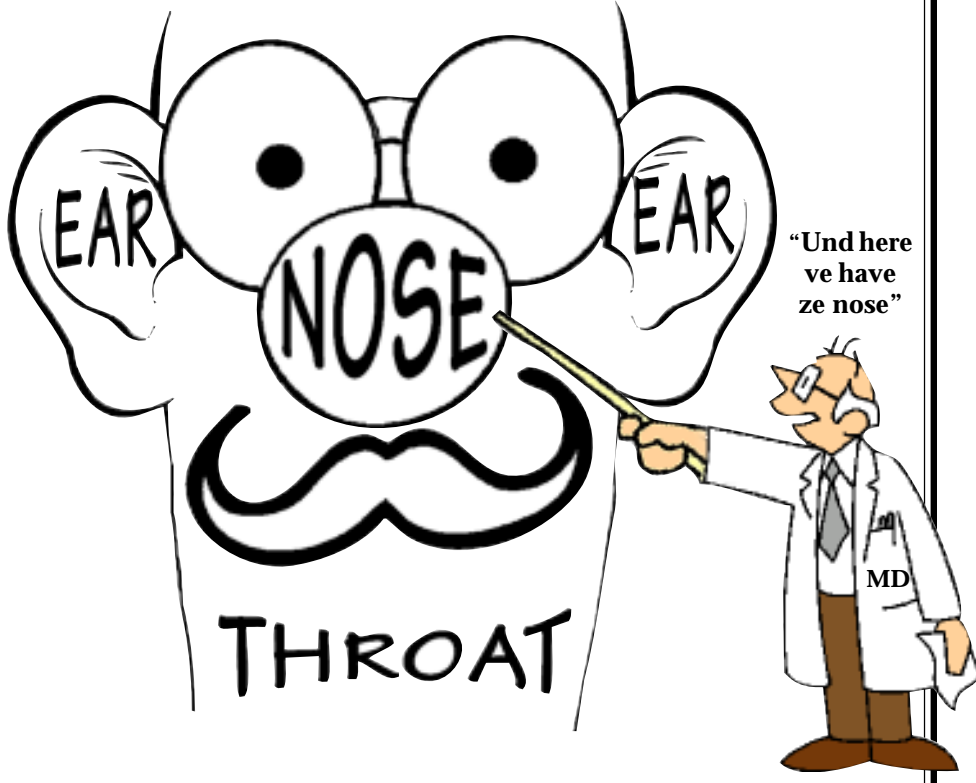
*Raytheon off-island positions are updated weekly in the Career Opportunities Book at the HR counter, Bldg. 700.*

*U.S. Embassy in Majuro currently has the following job vacancies. Must be a U.S. citizen 21 years or older. Applications must be submitted on U.S. Form 171 available at the Embassy. For more information, call the Embassy, 692-247-4011 ext. 109.*

**AIDE** to the Embassy Executive Office. Closing date is Aug. 30.

**COMPUTER MANAGEMENT and FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT**. Closing date is Aug. 30.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/MILITARY LIAISON and PROGRAM OFFICER**. Closing date for application is Aug. 30.



**Ear, nose and throat specialist is available for appointments Sept. 11-14. For an appointment, call the hospital appointment desk, 52223 or 52224.**

## WANTED

**HOUSE-SITTING** situation for visiting friend Oct. 20-Nov. 4. Good with pets and plants. Call Craig, 50900.

## LOST

20" **BOY'S BIKE**, black, with David printed on blue name tag, from Qtrs. 468-A. Return or call 54624. No questions asked.

**CHILD'S FAVORITE** small gray elephant. Call 51359.

## FOUND

**CASH** at Small Boat Marina. Call Cris, 52935.

## FOR SALE

TWO 16" boy's bikes, \$30 each; Panasonic microwave oven, excellent condition, \$70; breadmaker, \$40; youth bed, \$30. Call 52555.

**PCS sale**. 55-GALLON aquarium with fish and all equipment, must sell, \$125. Call 51452.

**WILSON DEEP RED** driver, 9°, 365cc, regular graphite shaft, excellent condition, with headcover, \$225. Call 52947.

**PCS SALE**. 21" Panasonic stereo TV, excellent condition, \$200; two windsurfers with two sails and cart, ready to sail, \$150; Webber charcoal grill, \$40; blinds for 400-series house, \$40/set; 19' Cape Dory Typhoon sailboat, *African Queen*, recently restored, new bottom paint, call for details, \$3,500. Call 59576.

**LADIES' DACOR BCD**, \$30; Dacor regulator, \$20; Mares

regulator, \$20; U.S. Divers blade fins, \$10; U.S. Divers rocket fins, \$10; glass shell-pattern plates and glass set, \$10; two-drawer wooden file cabinet, \$20; Rubbermaid storage cabinet, 9' x 6' x 30", \$50. Call 52775.

55-GALLON aquarium with heavy-duty stand, under-gravel filters, \$200; large storage cabinet, 74" x 30" x 50", nine drawers, five doors, \$25; dart board, \$5. Call 52651, after 5 p.m.

TWO BLACK and DECKER Dustbuster cordless vacuum filters, \$5. Call 51359.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**KWAJALEIN YACHT Club** will hold an evening race Saturday. A skippers' meeting is 4:30 p.m., at Small Boat Marina. The public is welcome to sail. No experience necessary. Food and drinks at the Yacht Club following the race. Questions? Call Mike, 51385.

**KWAJALEIN SWIM Team** Fall 2002 registration forms are available on the mini-mall bulletin board, the library bulletin board or by calling Linda, 50163. Season begins Aug. 23. Swimmers will not be allowed to practice without a completed registration form and paid dues.

"THE ARCHAEOLOGY of Kwajalein," a presentation by Dr. Felicia Beardsley, will be Friday, 7 p.m., in CRC room 6. Sponsored by the Marshallese Cultural Center.

DUE TO popular demand, the Hobby Shop is now

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open Saturday mornings. The new hours are: 9 a.m.-noon and 12:30-5:30 p.m. Questions? Call Julie, 51700.

**BARGAIN BAZAAR** hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-3 p.m.; Wednesday, 5-7 p.m. We have lots of golf clubs, dive light, bike parts and books for 10¢. Donations always welcome. For donation pickup, call 53686 or 54691, before 1 p.m.

**BOWLING LOCKER** rentals are now past due for July-December. The \$17 fee is payable at Community Activities, 7:30-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-4:30 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, at the Bowling Center or by mailing a check to Community Activities, P.O. Box 23, Local. Questions? Call 53331.

**GOLF COURSE** greens fees and locker rentals are now overdue for July-December. The \$183 fee is payable at Community Activities, 7:30-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-4:30 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, the golf course Pro Shop, 4:30-6:30 p.m. or by mailing a check to Community Activities, P.O. Box 23, Local. Questions? Call 53331.

**SPECIALIST** in internal medicine will be on island Aug. 27-30. Adults with diabetes, thyroid disease, hypertension or lung or heart disease can call the hospital appointment desk, 52223 or 52224, for an appointment. Complete physicals by a physician board-certified in internal medicine also available.

**EBEYE FERRY** schedule for LCM #2 will change Aug. 20 as follows: New departure times from Kwajalein are 4:50 a.m., 5:50 a.m. and 6:50 a.m. Ebeye departures are 5:20 a.m., 6:20 a.m. and 7:20 a.m. All other runs remain the same as the current schedule.

**DURING THE MONTHLY** supply barge operation Thursday, all personnel are asked to remain outside the barricaded one-block area around the supply warehouse complex. This area is bounded by Marine Road, Poinsettia Street, and 6th and 8th streets. This request is in the interest of everyone's safety. Questions? Call Shipping and Receiving, 52180.

**CONSUMER ADVISORY COUNCIL** meets Thursday. The intent of the CAC is to assist the USAKA/RTS commander and retail and food managers in the establishment and evaluation of merchandise and food service policies and programs. Suggestions for betterment of the retail and food service programs should be e-mailed to [estelle@kmr.ll.mit.edu](mailto:estelle@kmr.ll.mit.edu) by Tuesday. This is not a forum for suggesting specific items to be carried in the stores. Those requests can be made by e-mail to [retail@kls.usaka.smdc.army.mil](mailto:retail@kls.usaka.smdc.army.mil).

**KWAJALEIN SCUBA Club** meets tomorrow, 7 p.m., in CAC Room 6.

**STUDENTS NEW** to Kwajalein schools should call the elementary school, 53601, or the high school, 52011, to register for classes.

**RAYTHEON SAFETY** reminds residents and visitors to watch for potholes while biking on unpaved roads.

**REUTILIZATION and DISPOSAL** will resume unsolicited bid sales at DCCB, Building 1500, tomorrow. Sales are held 7 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

**SATURDAY, Aug. 10,** Reutilization and Disposal enaj bar jino unsolicited bid sale eo ilo DCCB Building 1500. Aolep Tuesday im Saturday, 7 a.m. nan 4 p.m.

# "Could we hurry this up?"

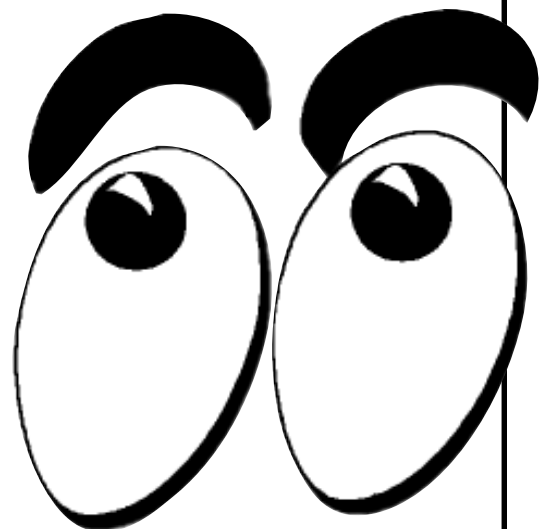


**Everyone is invited to a ground-breaking ceremony for the new cold storage facility Friday, 9 a.m., at the open storage area at the corner of Marine Road and 8th Street, behind the Small Boat Marina. Questions? Call Beverly, 52187.**

# OPTOMETRIST

**WILL BE ON ISLAND  
SEPT. 5-18.**

**TO MAKE AN  
APPOINTMENT, CALL  
52223 OR 52224 AND  
PROVIDE THE  
PATIENT NAME AND  
BIRTH DATE; EMPLOYEE  
(SPONSOR) SSN;  
INSURANCE COVERAGE;  
REASON FOR VISIT.**



## Marshallese Word of the Day

*Rak* = South.

## See you at the movies!

### Friday

#### The New Guy (2002, PG-13)

A high school misfit gets a second chance to be cool when he transfers schools. (DJ Qualls, Lyle Lovett) (100 minutes)  
Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

### Saturday

#### The New Guy (2002, PG-13)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

#### Monsoon Wedding (2001, R)

An Indian man and woman decide to enter into an arranged marriage, but their fragile bond is threatened by her predatory boss. From the director of "Kama Sutra." (114 minutes)

Tradewinds Theater, 7:30 p.m.

### Sunday

#### Snow Day (2000, PG)

Syracuse is stricken by a heavy snow storm, paralyzing the city and shutting down businesses and schools. But one magical snow day isn't enough for some teens, who plan to steel the Snow Plow Man's snowplow and stretch out the school hiatus even longer. (Chevy Chase, Chris Elliott) (85 minutes)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

#### Monsoon Wedding (2001, R)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 9:30 p.m.

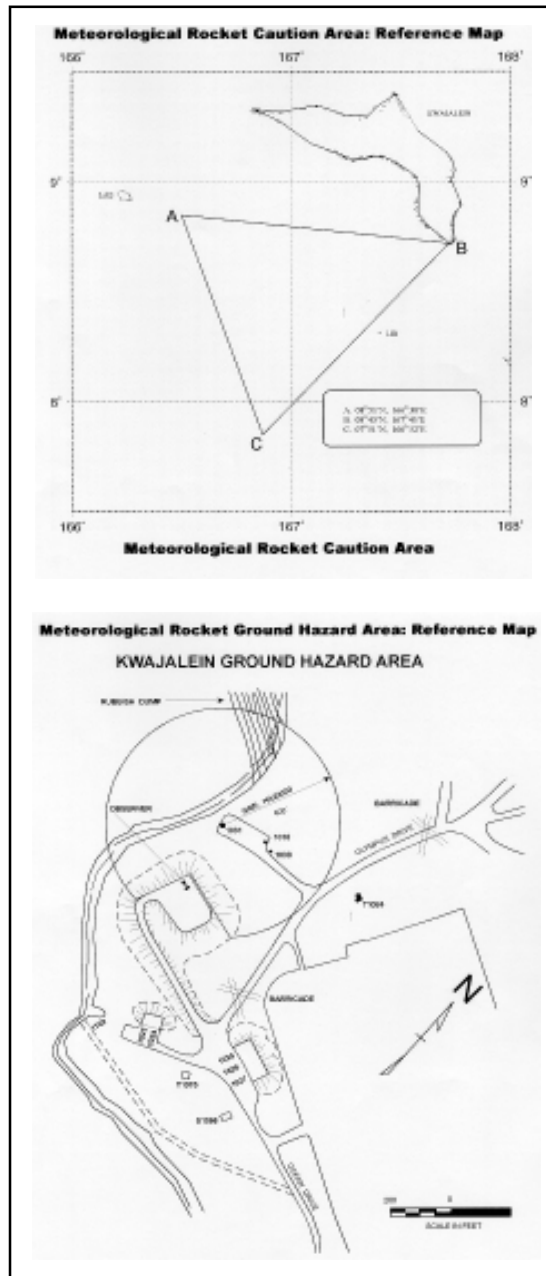
#### The New Guy (2002, PG-13)

Tradewinds Theater, 7:30 p.m.

### Monday

#### Monsoon Wedding (2001, R)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.



# Met rocket launch set for Friday

## From the Command Safety Office

A meteorological rocket launch operation from Kwajalein is scheduled for Friday, Aug. 16.

Caution areas for this met rocket will exist in the ocean within an area defined by the following coordinates: 08 degrees 51 minutes north, 166 degrees 30 minutes east; 08 degrees 43 minutes north, 167 degrees 43 minutes east; and 07 degrees 51 minutes north, 166 degrees 52 minutes east.

The Kwajalein ground hazard is that area contained within a circle having a radius of 400 feet from the Kwajalein rocket launcher.

All personnel and craft must stay out of the caution and hazard areas between the hours of 12:01 p.m. and 2:45 p.m. on Friday or until the restrictions are lifted. The ground hazard area must be clear of all non-essential personnel no later than 12:01 p.m. See the maps at left showing the ocean and ground hazard areas.

Questions regarding the above safety requirements should

## WEATHER

Courtesy of Aeromet

**Tonight:** Increasing cloudiness with widely scattered showers, mainly toward morning.

**Winds:** Northeast at 5 to 10 knots. Higher gusts near showers.

**Tomorrow:** Partly to mostly cloudy with widely scattered showers.

**Winds:** Northeast to east at 5 to 12 knots, with higher gusts near showers.

**Temperature:** Tonight's low 79°  
Tomorrow's high 87°

**August rain total:** 5.74"

**Annual rain total:** 69.38"

**Annual deviation:** 15.99"

Call 54700 for continuously updated forecasts and sea conditions.



## Sun • Moon • Tides



|                        | Sunrise/set | Moonrise/set      | High Tide                | Low Tide                 |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Tuesday<br>August 13   | 0641/1907   | 1036/2255         | 0700, 5.4'<br>1930, 5.0' | 0050, 0.7'<br>1320, 0.7' |
| Wednesday<br>August 14 | 0641/1906   | 1131/2342         | 0750, 4.9'<br>2020, 4.7' | 0140, 1.1'<br>1400, 1.1' |
| Thursday<br>August 15  | 0641/1906   | 1226/<br>1st Qtr. | 0830, 4.3'<br>2120, 4.4' | 0230, 1.6'<br>1450, 1.5' |
| Friday<br>August 16    | 0641/1905   | 1322/0030         | 0940, 3.7'<br>2250, 4.2' | 0340, 2.0'<br>1550, 1.9' |